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doctors there, I have ascertained the following facts: That the infection was carried to Panama from Guayaquil, and thence from Panama to Colon. Foreigners and persons not thoroughly acclimated were those who contracted the disease. There have been treated in the St. Thomas Hospital, Panama, to date, 36 cases, 14 deaths. At the French Hospital (foreign department), Panama, 58 cases, 26 deaths. Three of the above cases have occurred since August 1, 1 fatal. There have been a number of cases outside of hospitals.

I have treated in the Panama Railroad Company's hospital, Colon, 14 cases; no deaths. Outside of hospital, 6 cases, 1 death.

I have obtained from the physician of the French hospital at Colon, the following report: Ten cases, 7 deaths. This report is incomplete, as I know of at least, 6 cases, that have died there of yellow fever, whose names do not appear in this report. I have good reasons to believe there have been three times as many cases, with the same ratio of deaths as stated in this report. I am sorry to inform you that the Colombian Government has tried to suppress the fact that yellow fever exists, or has existed on the Isthmus, and, as the attending physician at this hospital is an employee of the Government, this explains why he fails to give a correct report. There have been some cases treated in Colon, outside of the hospitals, by other physicians.

Very respectfully, yours,

J. P. RANDALL,
Sanitary Inspector, U. S. M. H. S.

P. S. There has been 1 fatal case in Colon within the past ten days.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Sanitary report from Panama.

PANAMA, August 13, 1897.

SIR: Since last mail the number of cases of yellow fever have diminished considerably. Four cases with 2 deaths is the number I have been able to discover.

Very truly, yours,

CHAS. A. COOKE, M. D.,
Sanitary Inspector, U. S. M. H. S.

STATISTICAL REPORTS.

FRANCE—*Nantes*.—Month of July, 1897. Estimated population, 125,757. Total deaths, 185, including 5 from enteric fever.

Nice.—Month of June, 1897. Estimated population, 108,227. Total deaths, 159, including phthisis pulmonalis, 22; enteric fever, 2, and diphtheria, 1.

GREAT BRITAIN—*England and Wales*.—The deaths registered in 33 great towns in England and Wales during the week ended August 7 correspond to an annual rate of 26.9 a thousand of the aggregate population, which is estimated at 10,992,524. The highest rate was recorded in Preston, viz, 46.2, and the lowest in Halifax, viz, 12.0 a thousand.

London.—Two thousand two hundred and four deaths were registered during the week, including smallpox, 1; measles, 31; scarlet fever, 12; diphtheria, 42; whooping cough, 23; enteric fever, 7, and diarrhea and dysentery, 575. The deaths from all causes correspond to an annual rate

of 25.7 a thousand. In greater London, 2,926 deaths were registered, corresponding to an annual rate of 24.2 a thousand of the population. In the "outer ring" the deaths included 10 from diphtheria, 2 from measles, 2 from scarlet fever, and 8 from whooping cough.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate represented by the deaths registered during the week ended August 7 in the 23 principal town districts of Ireland was 22.0 a thousand of the population. The lowest rate was recorded in Galway, viz, 0.0, and the highest in Clonmel, viz, 58.5 a thousand. In Dublin and suburbs 150 deaths were registered, including scarlet fever, 4; whooping cough, 1; diphtheria, 1, and enteric fever, 1.

Scotland.—The deaths registered in 8 principal towns during the week ended August 7 correspond to an annual rate of 20.5 a thousand of the population, which is estimated at 1,549,907. The lowest mortality was recorded in Aberdeen, viz, 12.8, and the highest in Leith, viz, 26.3 a thousand. The aggregate number of deaths registered from all causes was 612, including measles, 19; scarlet fever, 8; diphtheria, 1, and whooping cough, 22.

JAMAICA—Kingston.—Estimated population, 19,264. Total deaths, 129, including yellow fever, 1; enteric fever, 3; whooping cough, 1, and phthisis pulmonalis, 14.

ST. HELENA.—Four weeks ended July 10, 1897. Estimated population, 3,600. Total deaths, 6. No deaths from contagious diseases.

ST. THOMAS.—Quarter ended June 30, 1897. Estimated population, 12,019. Total deaths, 470. No deaths from contagious diseases.

UNITED STATES OF COLOMBIA—Barranquilla.—Month of June, 1897. Estimated population, 40,000. Total deaths, 114. No deaths reported from contagious diseases.

PANAMA.—Ten days ended August 13, 1897. Estimated population, 16,000. Total deaths not reported. Four cases of yellow fever and 2 deaths therefrom.